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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A relaying apparatus comprises a client terminal, many server terminals connected via network to the client terminal, a DNS responding device which accepts a DNS inquiry from the client terminal via a client-side DNS device, and one path load measuring device for each of the server terminals which measures a load in the communication path up to the client-side DNS device. The DNS responding device distributes a work load by routing a service request from the client terminal to any one of the server terminals based on the measurement result (i.e. route load).